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In re Patent Application of)
Eva SIMMONS et al.) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned) Examiner: Unassigned
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For: AN ABSORBENT ARTICLE)
INCORPORATING LIQUID)
BARRIERS WITH SEALING)
COATING)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent
application please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-6 and substitute therefor new
claims 7-17:

- 1 - 7. An absorbent article that includes longitudinally
extending side extremities, an absorbent body disposed between
a liquid-impermeable bottom sheet which is intended to lie
distal from the wearer in use, and a liquid-permeable upper
sheet which is intended to lie proximal to the wearer, and
either:
1) at least one longitudinally extending elastic
liquid barrier on each side of the center line of the upper